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Date of Interview: 12/14/06.

Type: a) Telephonic b) Video Conference
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Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) Yes e) No.
If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: 1, 13 and 19.

Identification of prior art discussed: Balazs, Lee, Kennedy et al., and Reid.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) was reached. g) was not reached. h) N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: The proposed amendment to claim 1 to have an end cap, to claim 13 to define the length of the adapter greater than the width, and to claim 19 to have an end cap and a vessel handle are still readable on the prior art.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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